

# Ten Years at the Calif. Energy Commission & White Roofs to Cool your Building, your City and (this is new !) Cool the World

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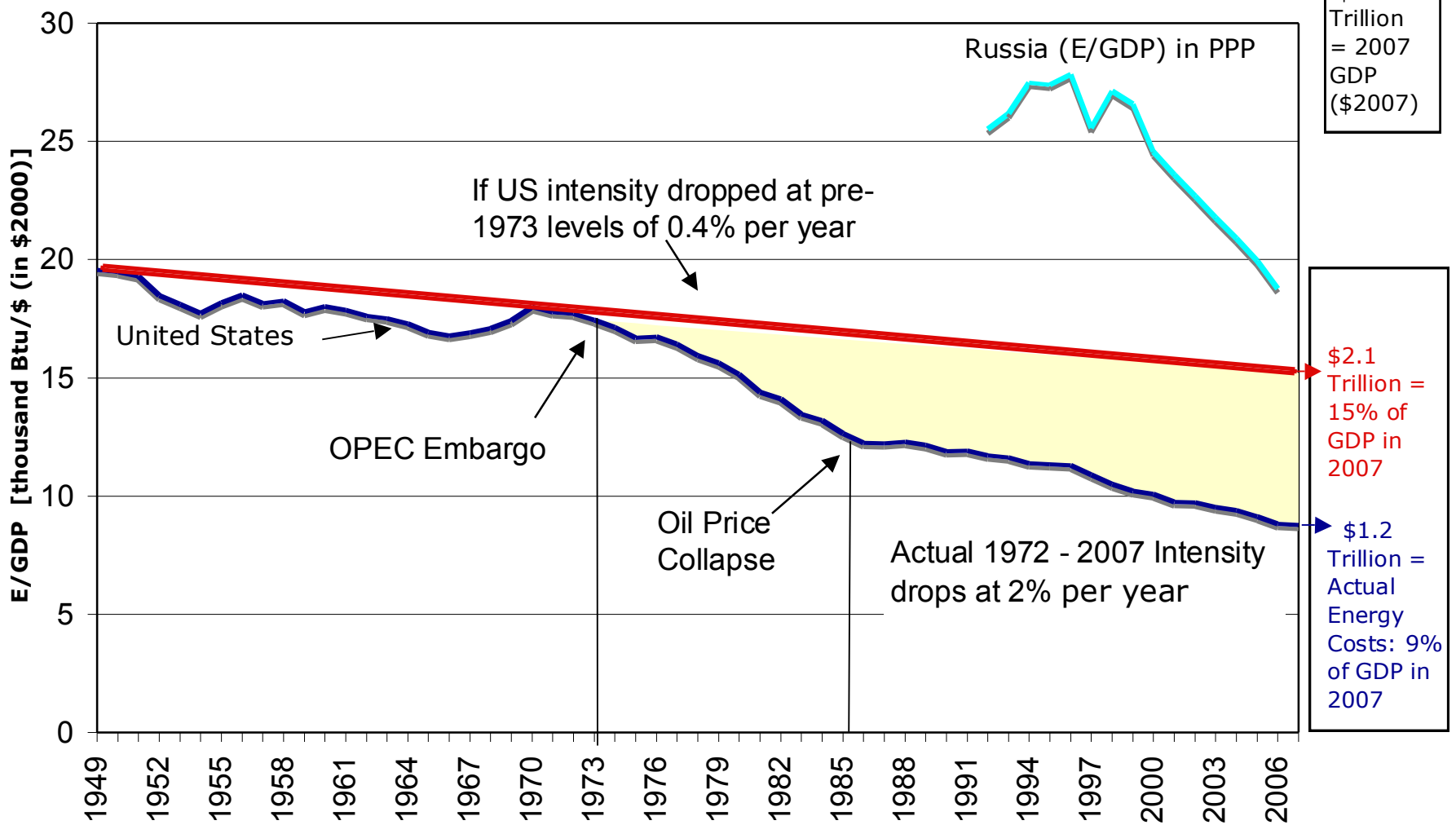
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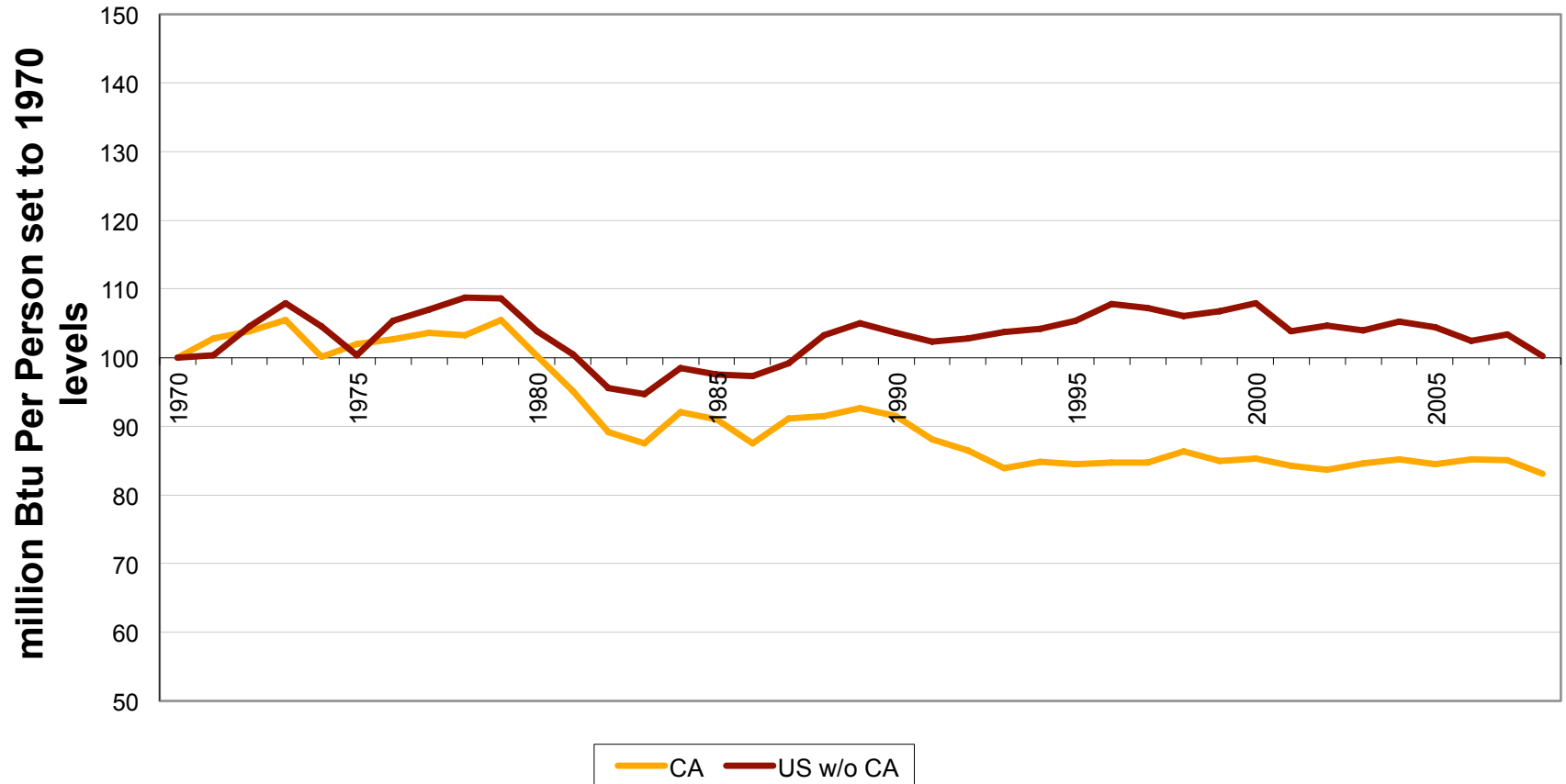
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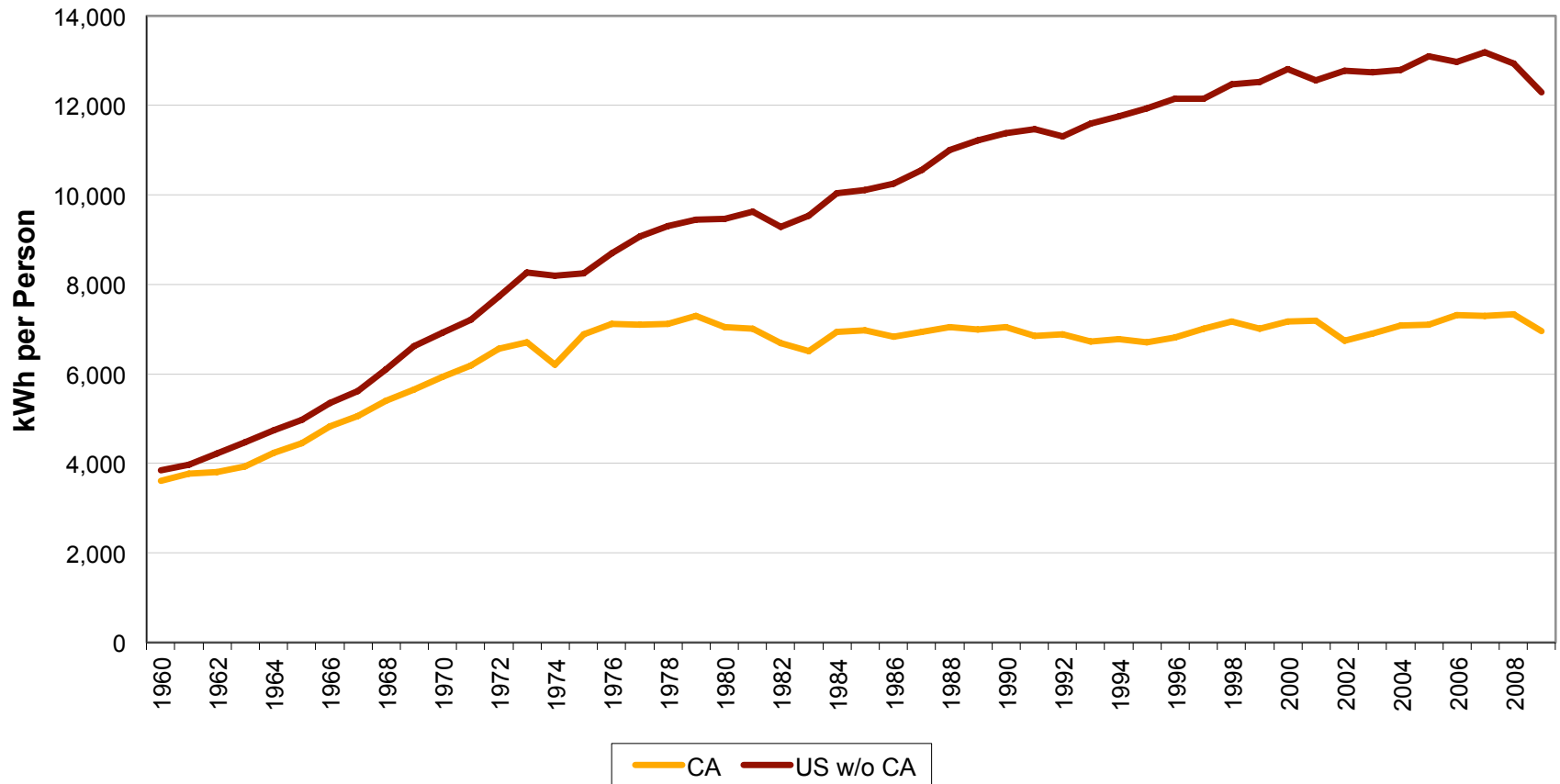
# Energy Intensity (E/GDP)



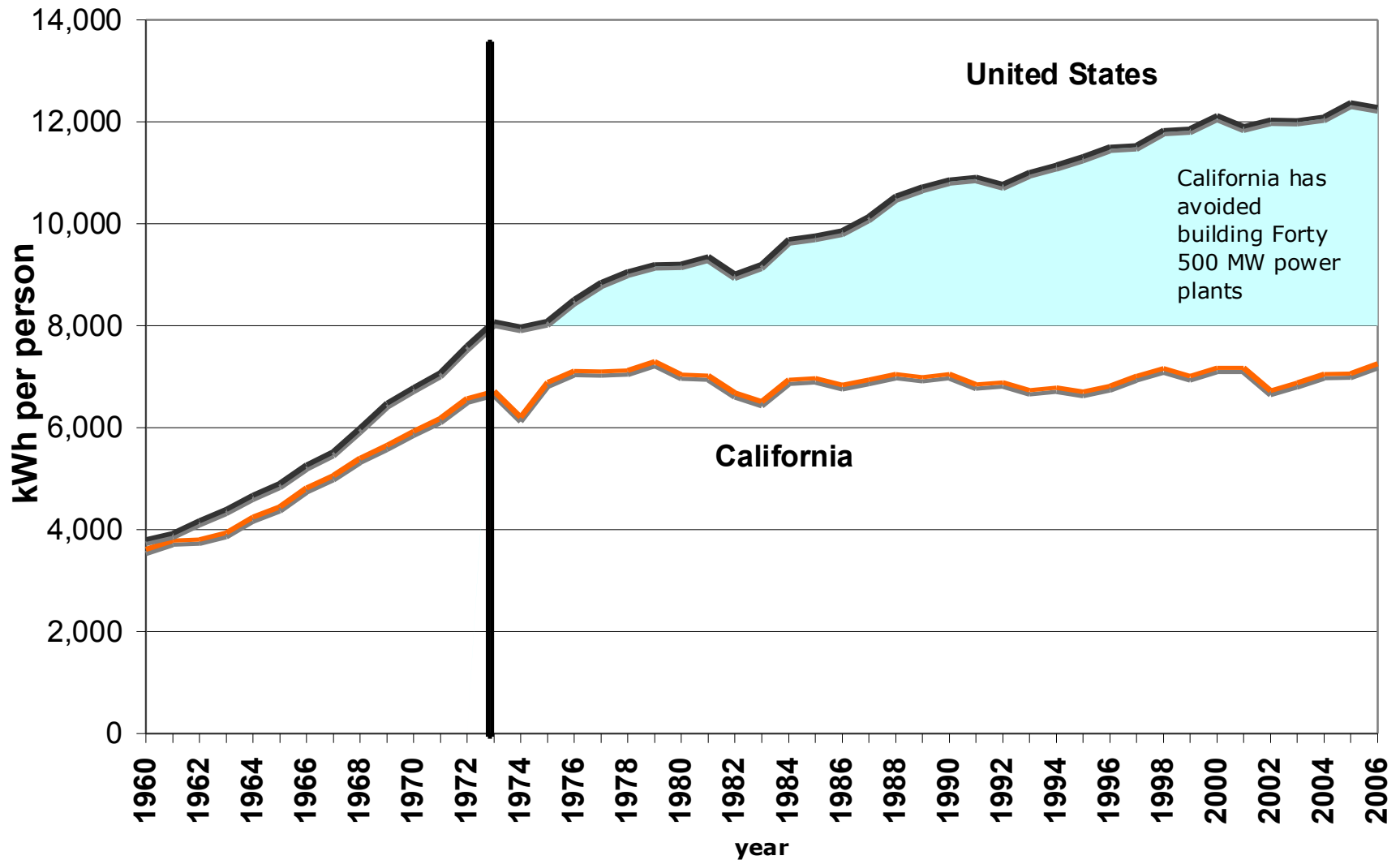
## CA vs US Energy Consumption Per Capita



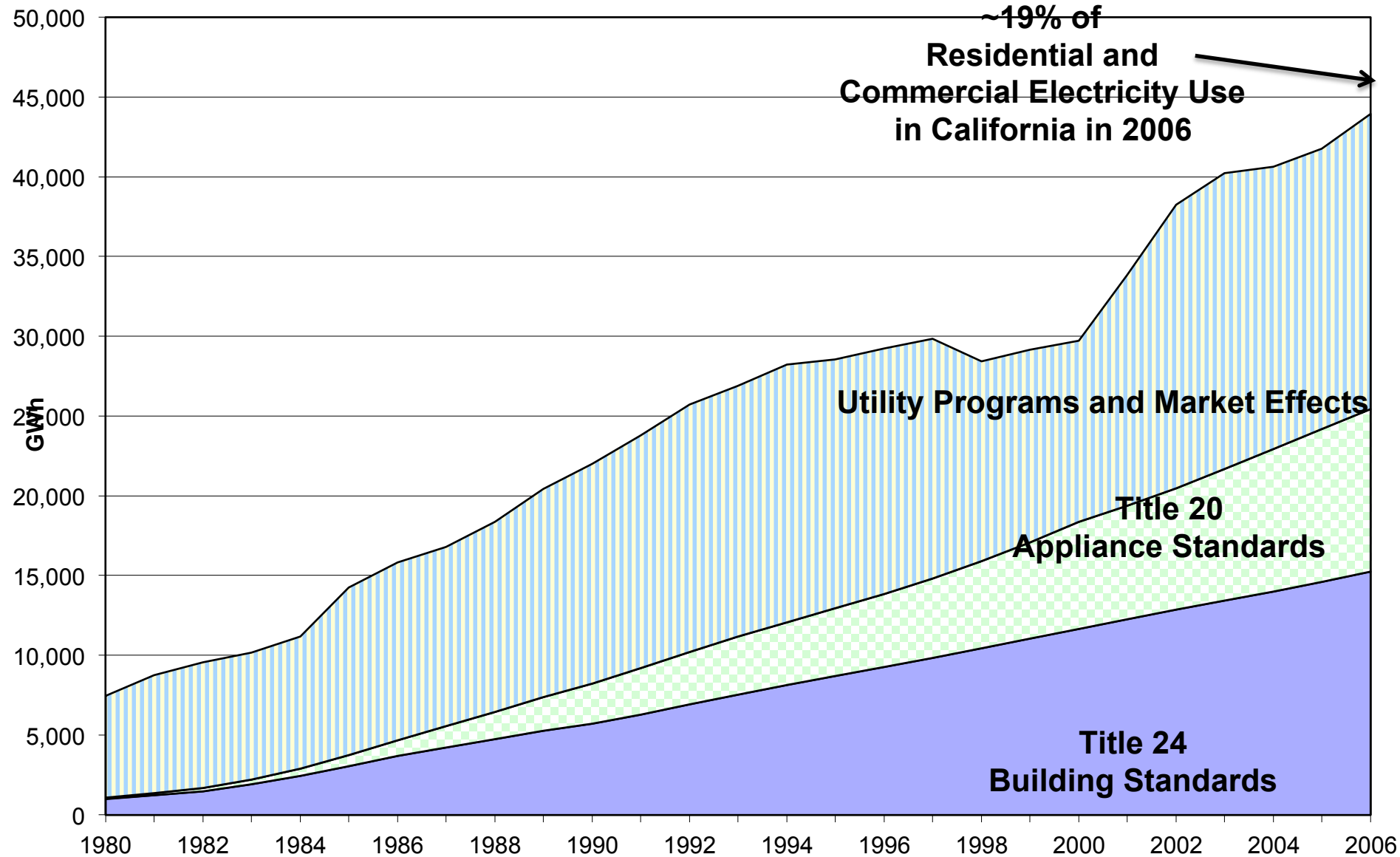
**CA vs US Electricity Consumption Per Capita**



## Per Capita Electricity Consumption



# Residential and Commercial Cumulative Conservation Savings 1980 - 2006

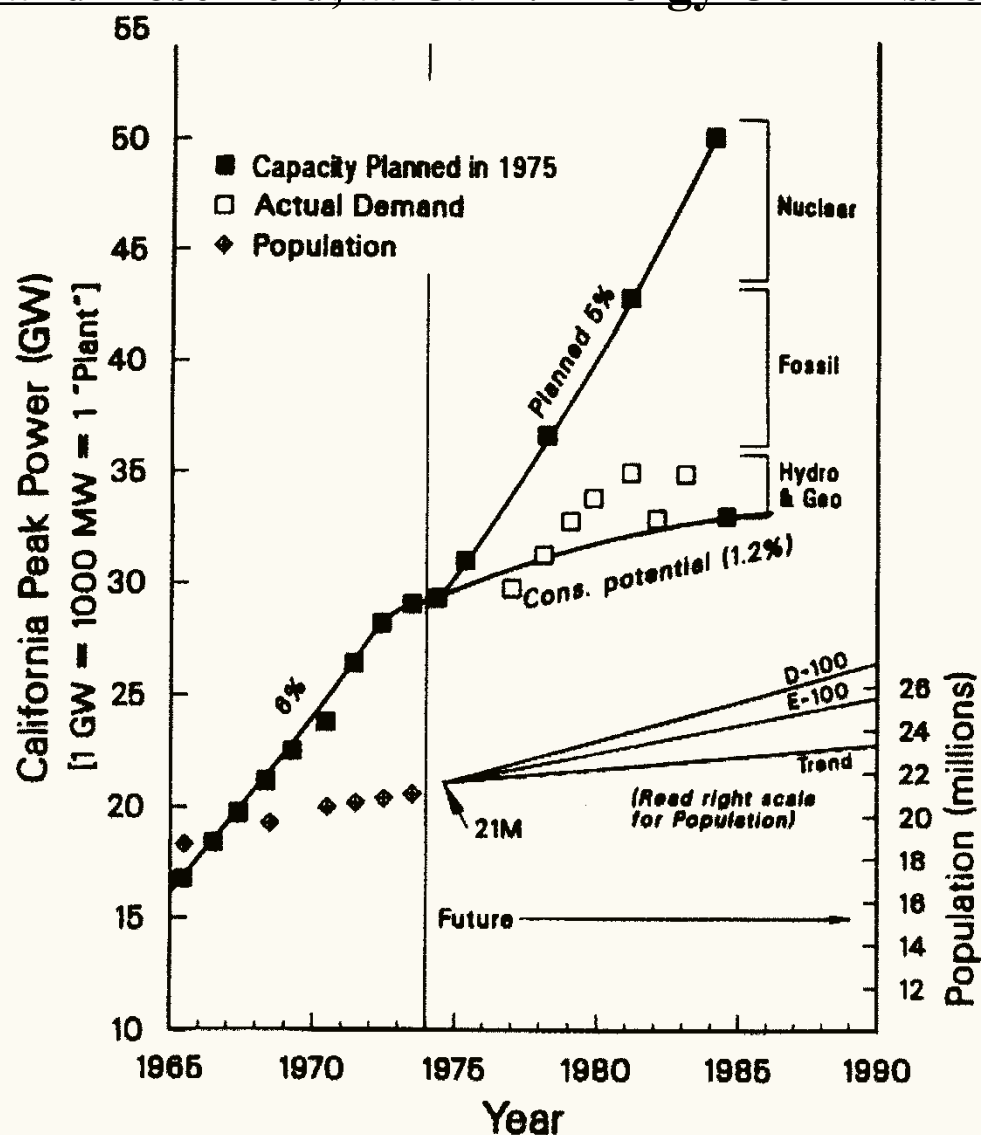


**Source: Art Rosenfeld, California Energy Commission**

# Projections of California Peak Power Demand

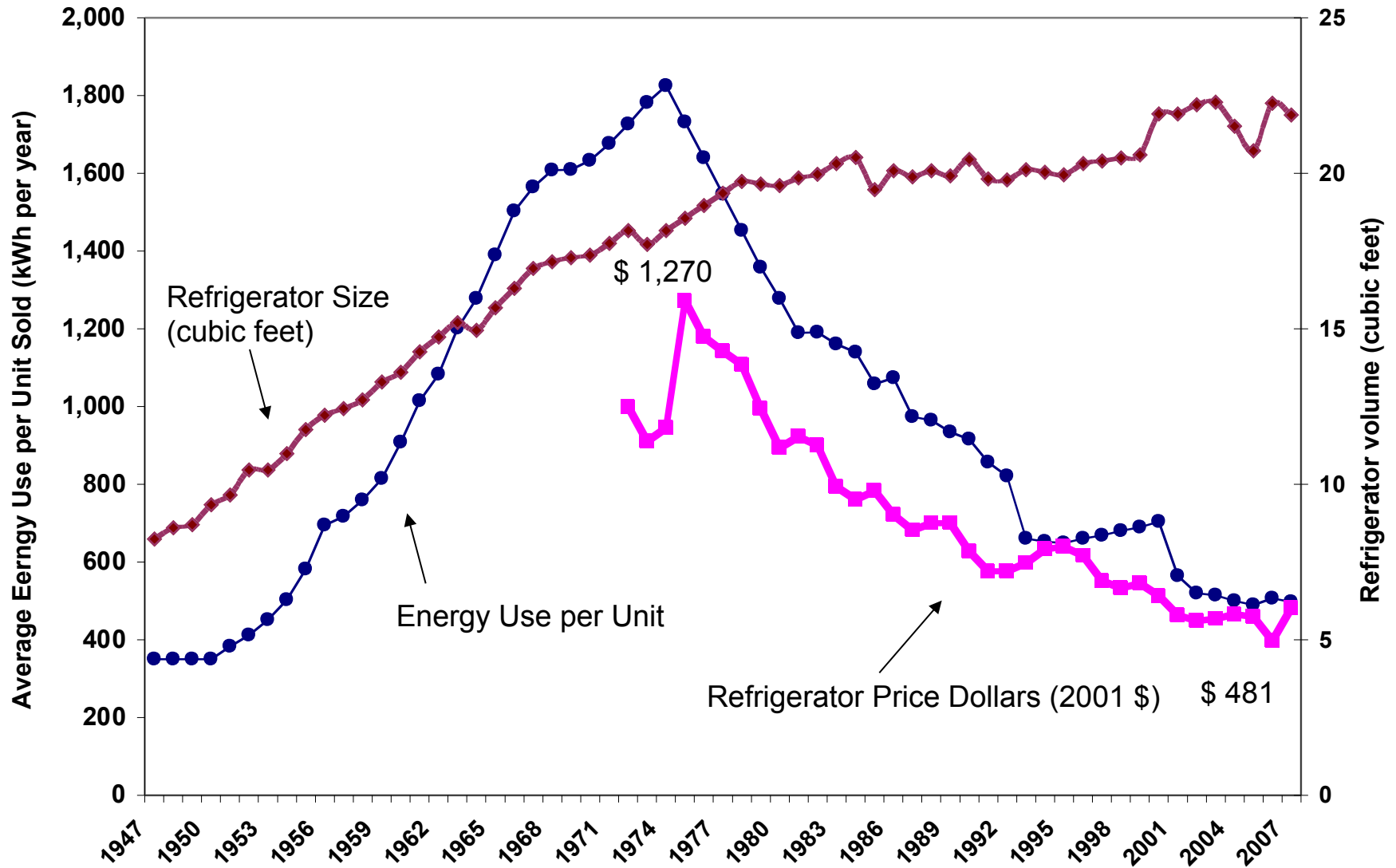
Planned in 1974 vs. Actual to 1984

(Goldstein and Rosenfeld, at Calif. Energy Commission, Dec. 1975)



Arthur Rosenfeld,

United States Refrigerator Use v. Time

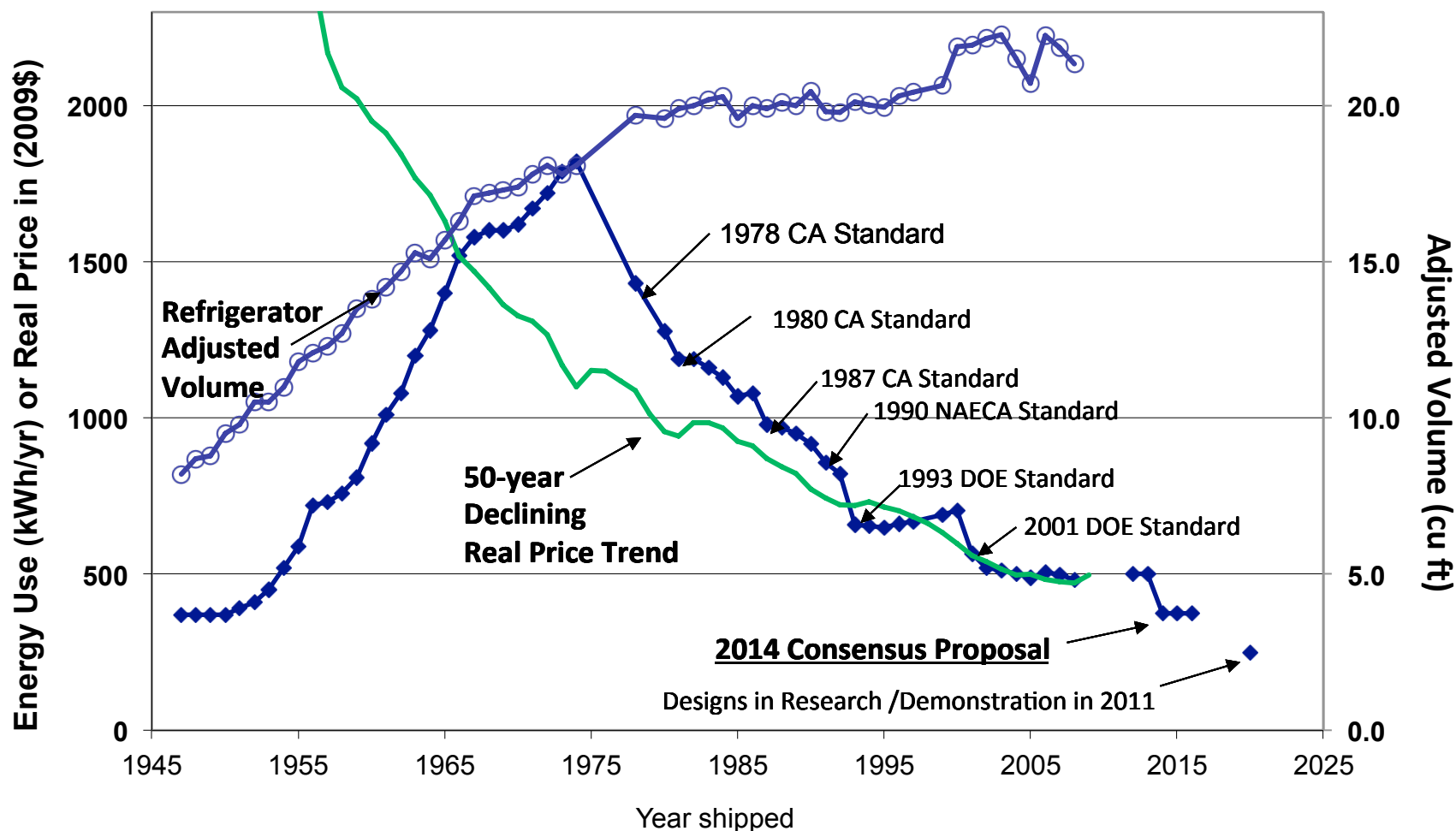


David Goldstein, NRDC and Pat McAuliffe, CEC

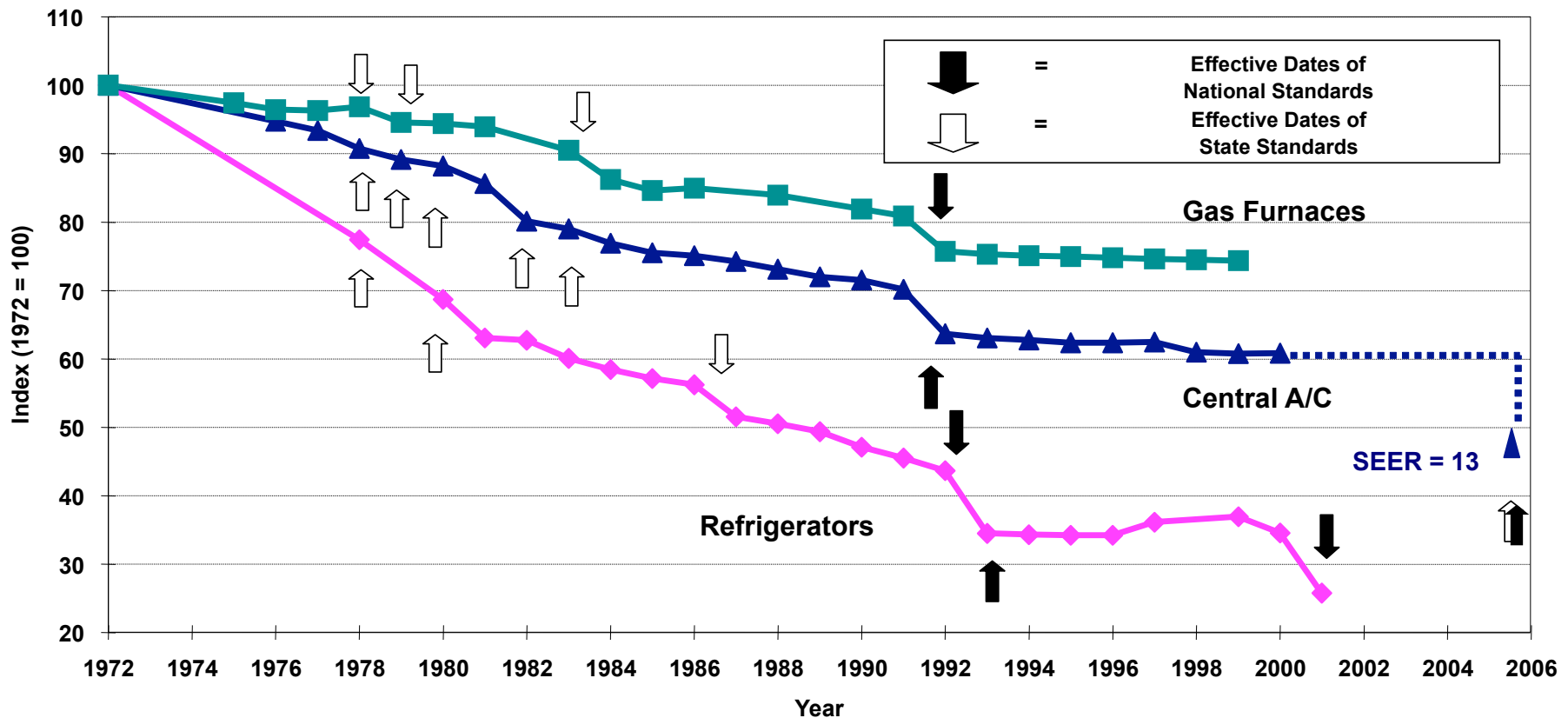


# Annual Energy Use, Volume and Real Price of New Refrigerators

Sources: AHAM Factbooks, Rosenfeld 1999 and Bureau of Labor Statistics



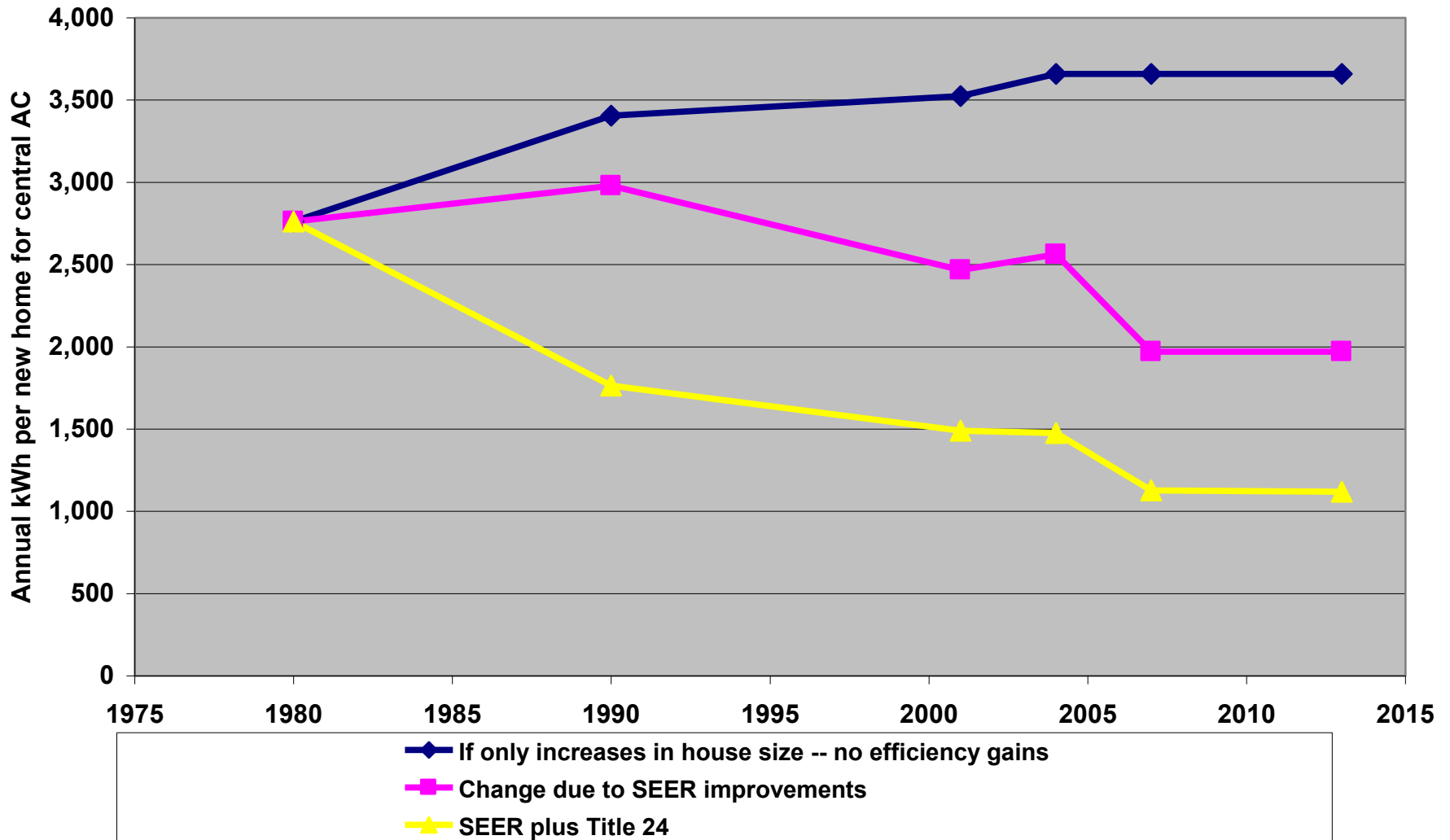
# Impact of Standards on Efficiency of 3 Appliances



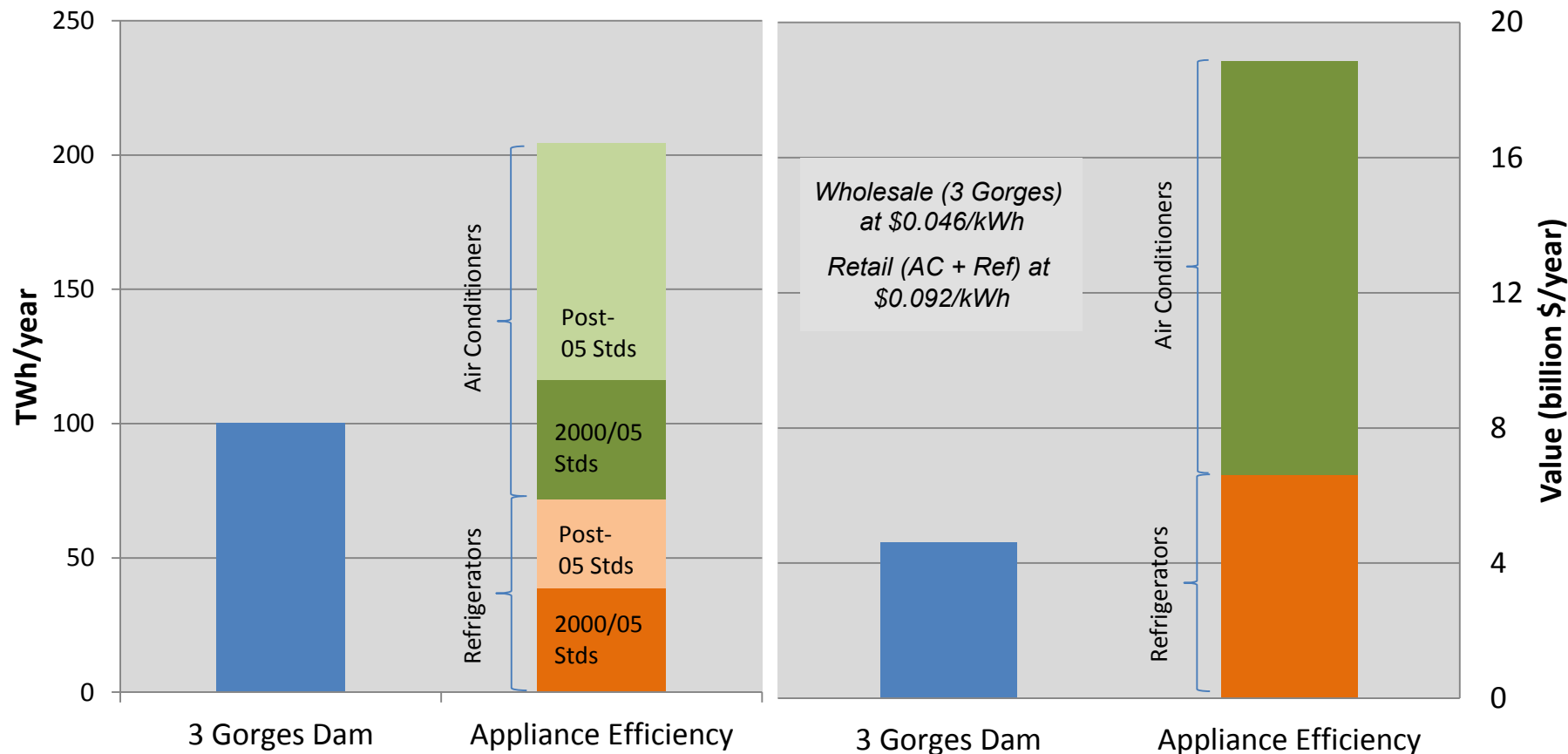
Source: S. Nadel, ACEEE,  
in ECEEE 2003 Summer Study, [www.eceee.org](http://www.eceee.org)

# Air Conditioning Energy Use in Single Family Homes in PG&E

## The effect of AC Standards (SEER) and Title 24 standards



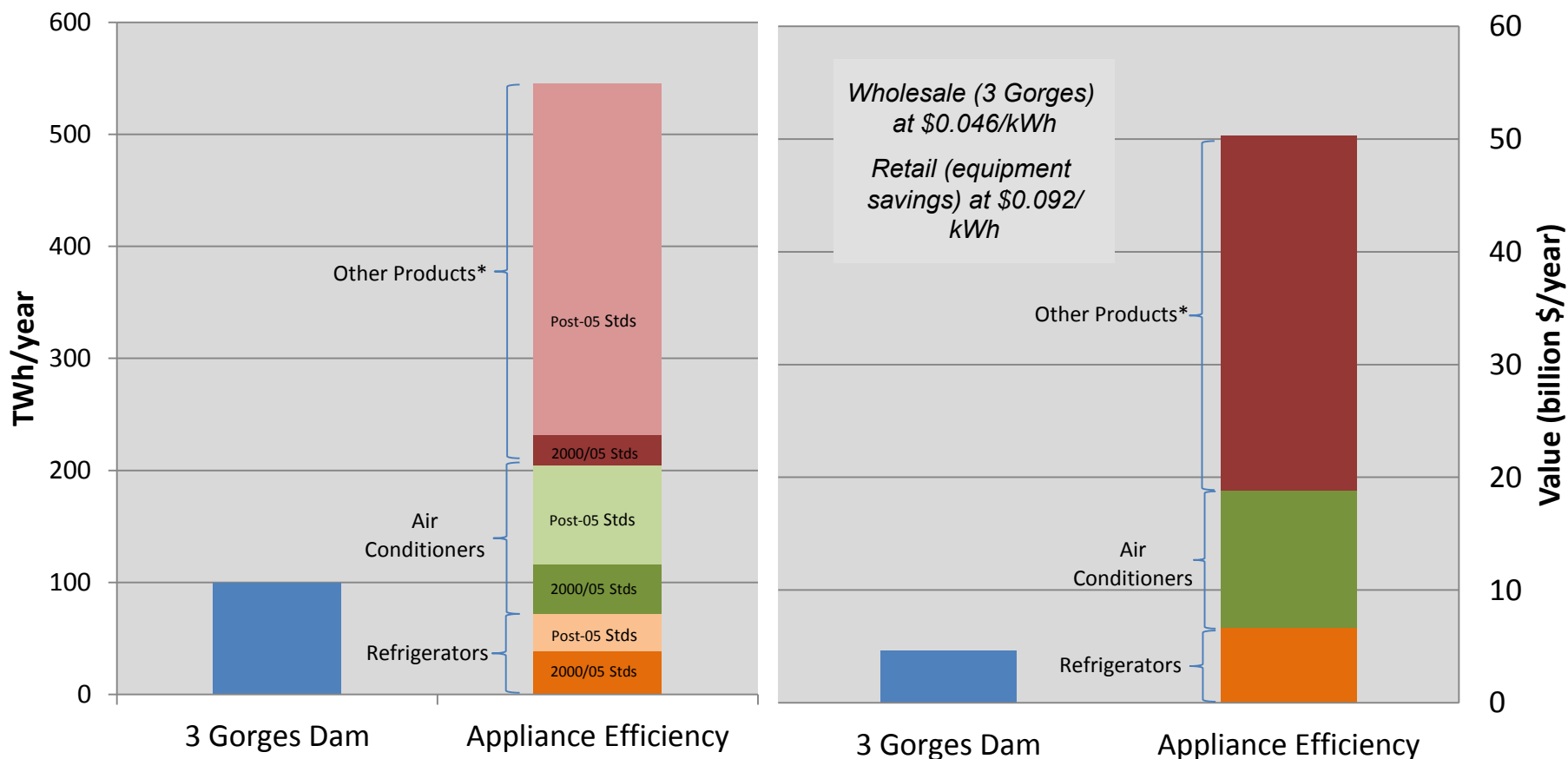
# Annual generation from China's Three Gorges Dam compared to annual savings in 2020, from 20 years of sales of refrigerators and ACs with increasing energy efficiency



Appliance efficiency savings are calculated on the basis of annual savings in 2020. "Post-05" standards accounts for China's periodic standards revision schedule of 4 to 5 years.

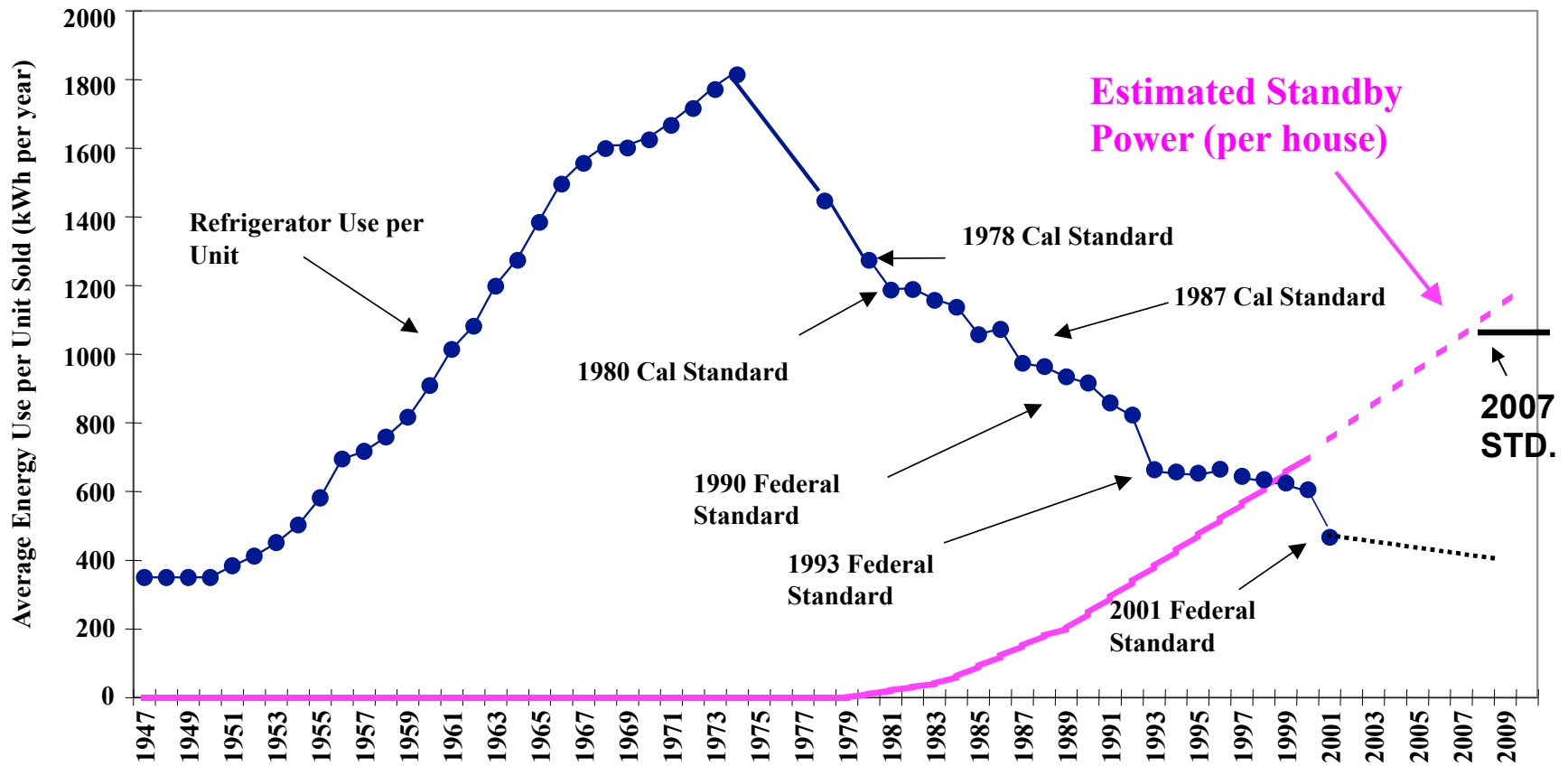
Source: LBNL China Energy End-Use Model, David Fridley and Nina Zheng, 2010

# Annual generation from China's Three Gorges Dam compared to annual savings in 2020, from 20 years of sales of equipment subject to China's energy efficiency standards



\*Other products include: clothes washer, TV, fans, stand-by power, electric water heater, electric cooktop, fluorescent lamp ballasts, rice cooker, microwave ovens, laser printers, fax, copiers, computer monitors, HID lamps and ballasts, motors, air compressors, transformers, servers, computers, double-capped fluorescents, heat pump water heater, rangehoods, ventilating fans, external power supply, vending machines, LED lamps, grid lighting, commercial AC chillers, water-cooled chillers, unitary AC

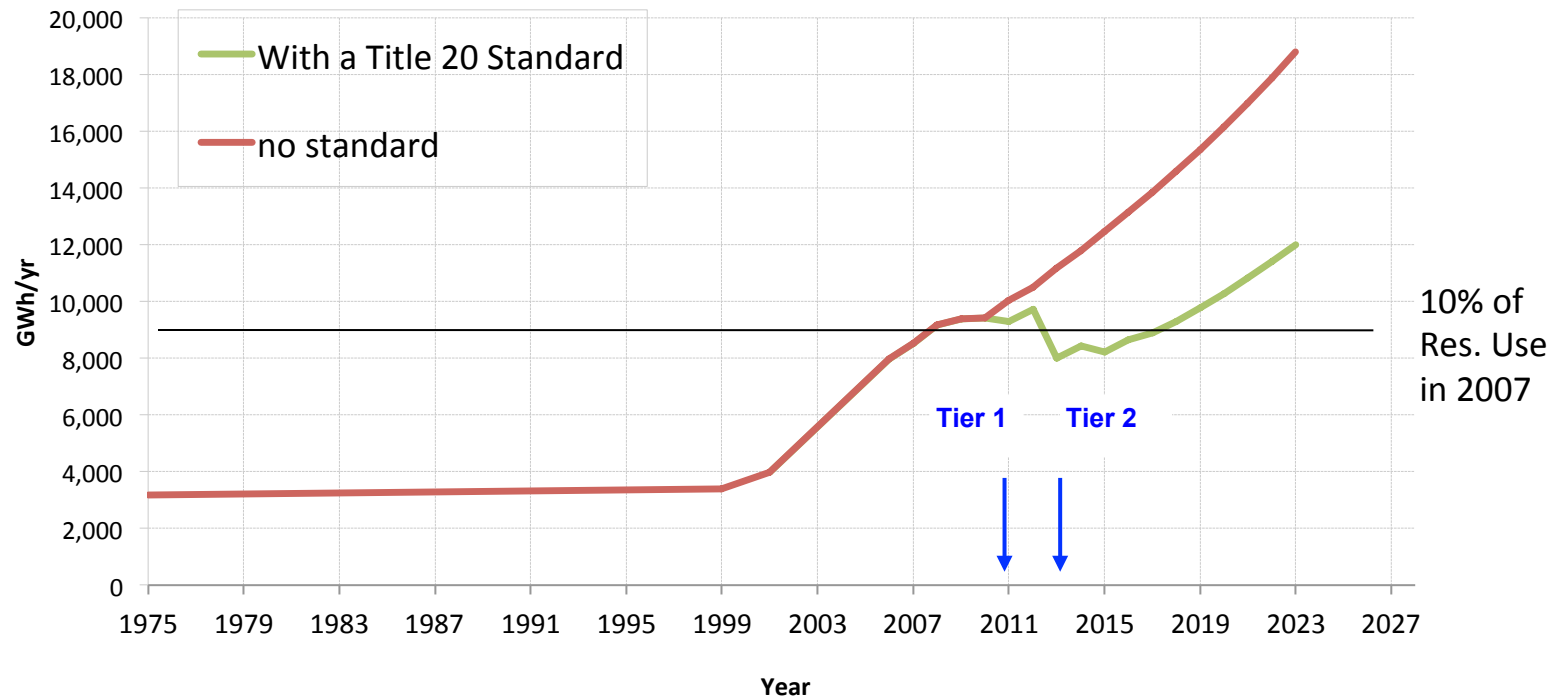
# United States Refrigerator Use, repeated, to compare with Estimated Household Standby Use v. Time



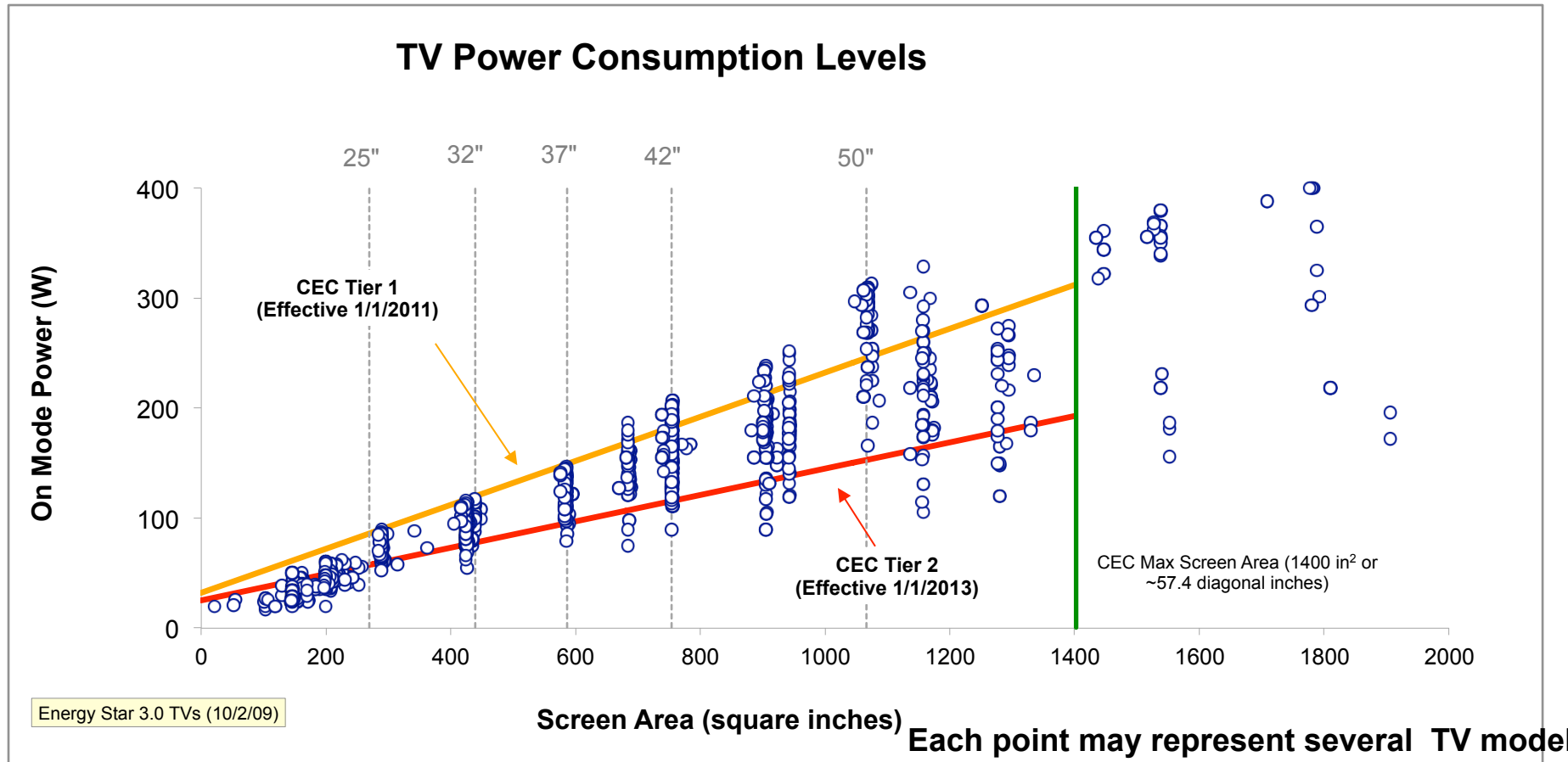
# Televisions Represent Significant Energy Use

The residential energy consumption due to televisions rapidly increased from 3-4% in 1990s to 8-10% in 2008. Television energy will grow up to 18% by 2023 without regulations. The projected growth does not include the residential energy use by cable boxes, DVD players, internet boxes, Blue Ray, game consoles etc.

**California Energy Consumption from TVs  
(Forecast with and without proposed standards)**



# Technically Feasible Standards



**\*Consumers can expect to save between \$ 50 - \$ 250 over the life of their TV**

**\*A 50 inch plasma can consume as little as 307 kWh/yr and as much as 903 kWh/yr**



# General Purpose Lighting – Proposed Regulations (cont.)

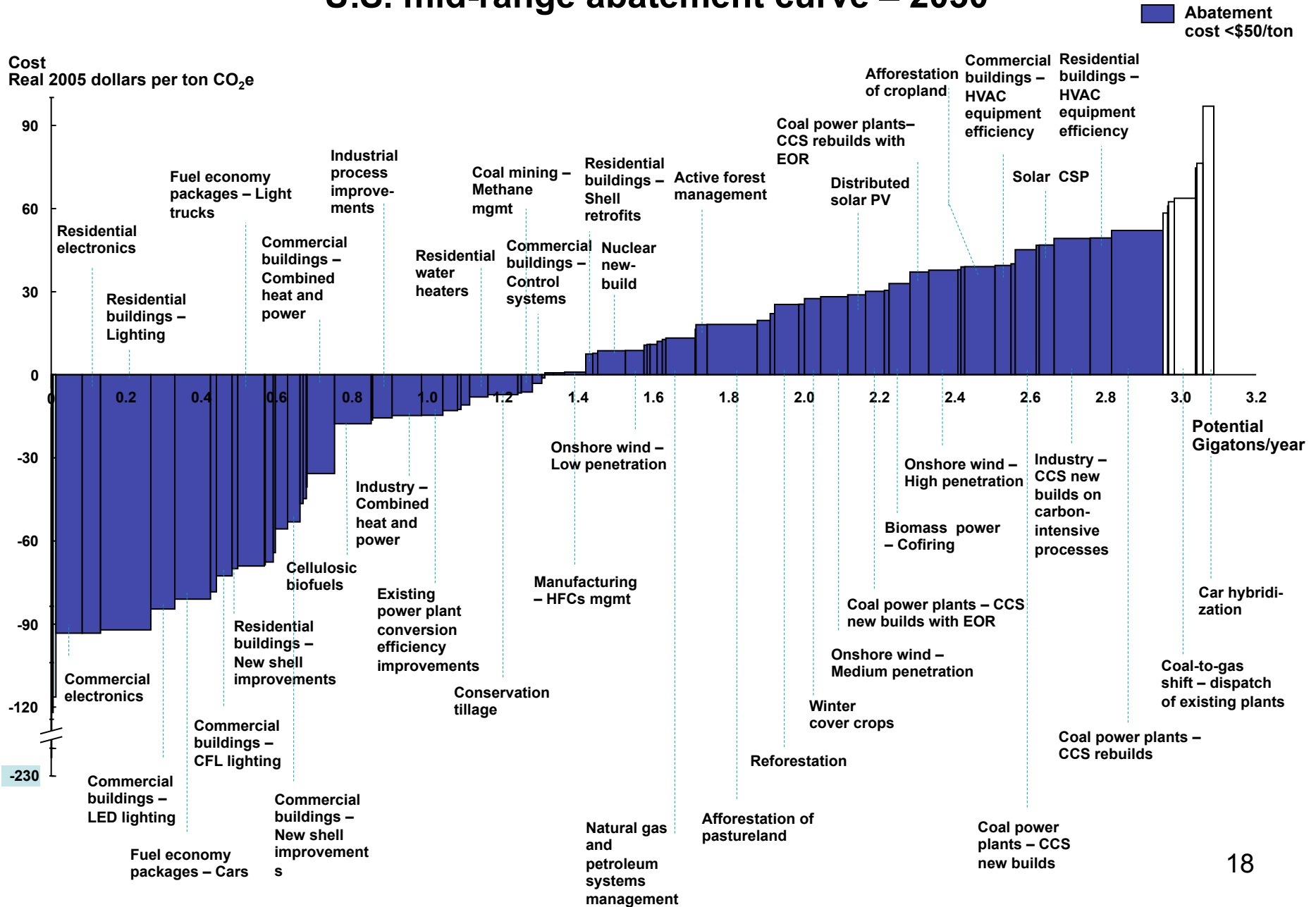
**Proposed Table K-8: Standards for State-regulated General Services Incandescent Lamps -Tier I**

<b>Rated Lumens Range</b>	<b>Maximum rated Wattage</b>	<b>Minimum Rated Life Time</b>	<b>Proposed California Effective Date</b>
1490-2600 Lumens	100→72 Watts	1,000 hours	Jan, 1, 2011
1050-1489 Lumens	75→53 Watts	1,000 hours	Jan 1, 2012
750-1049 Lumens	60→43 Watts	1,000 hours	Jan 1, 2013
310-749 Lumens	40→29 Watts	1,000 hours	Jan 1, 2013

**Proposed Table K-9: Standards for State-regulated General Services Lamps -Tier II**

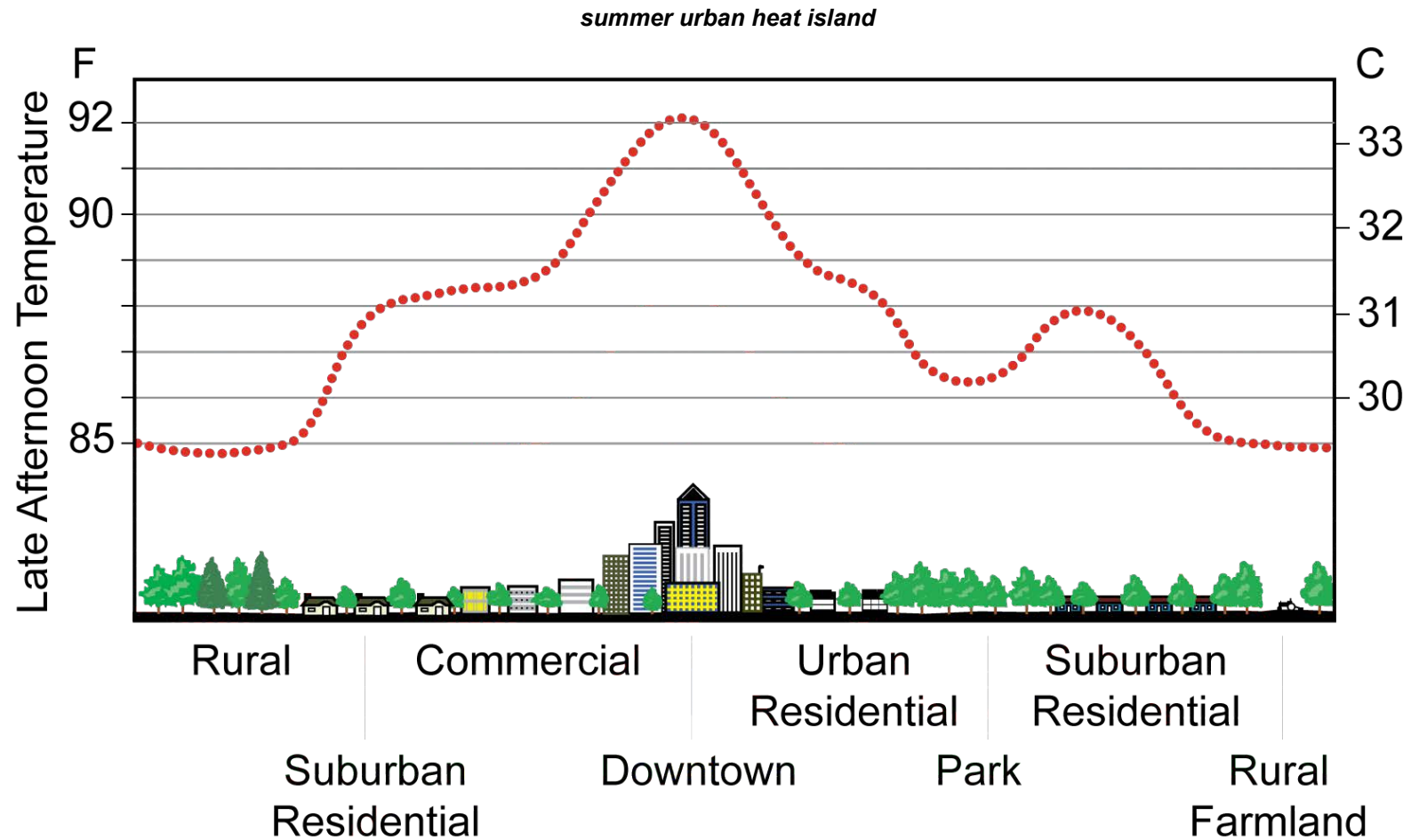
<b>Lumens Range</b>	<b>Maximum Lamp Efficacy</b>	<b>Minimum Rated Life Time</b>	<b>Proposed California Effective Date</b>
All	45 lumens per watt	1,000 hours	Jan, 1, 2018

# U.S. mid-range abatement curve – 2030



White roofs to cool your  
buildings, your cities, and  
(this is new) to cool the earth.

# Summer in the city

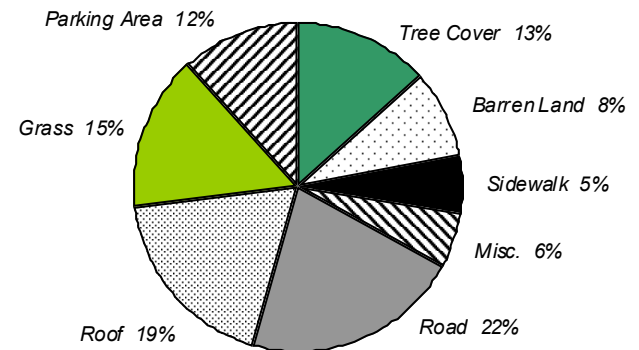


# Bird's eye view of urban land use



The surface of Sacramento, CA is about

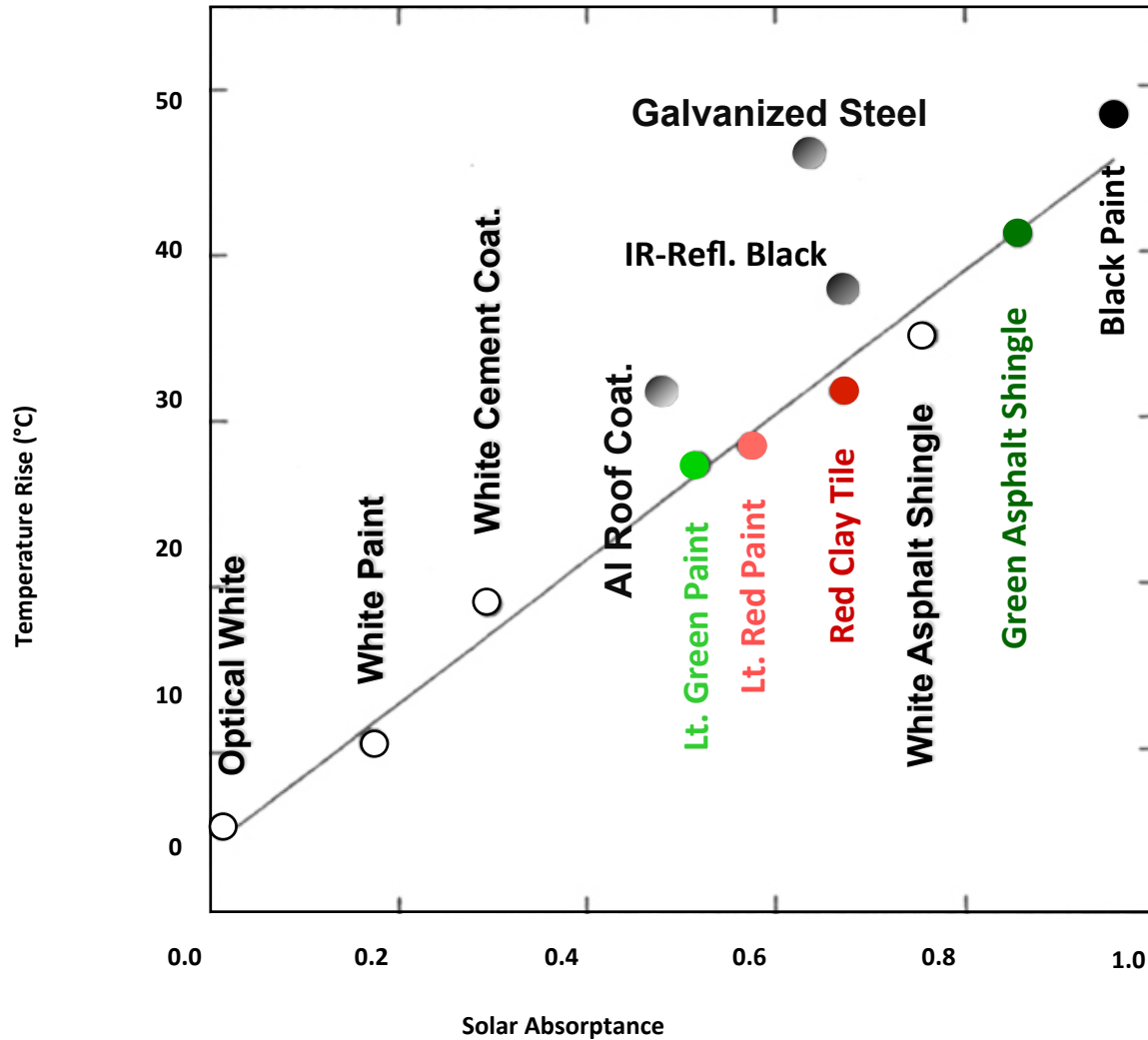
- **20% roofs**
- **30% vegetation**
- **40% pavement**



Area by Land-Cover Category Above the Canopy

~ 1 km<sup>2</sup>

# Reflective roofs stay cooler in the sun





# White roofs, cool-colored roofs save money

## OLD



flat, white



pitched, white

## NEW



pitched, cool & colored

# Chicago Heat Wave 1995, 739 Deaths

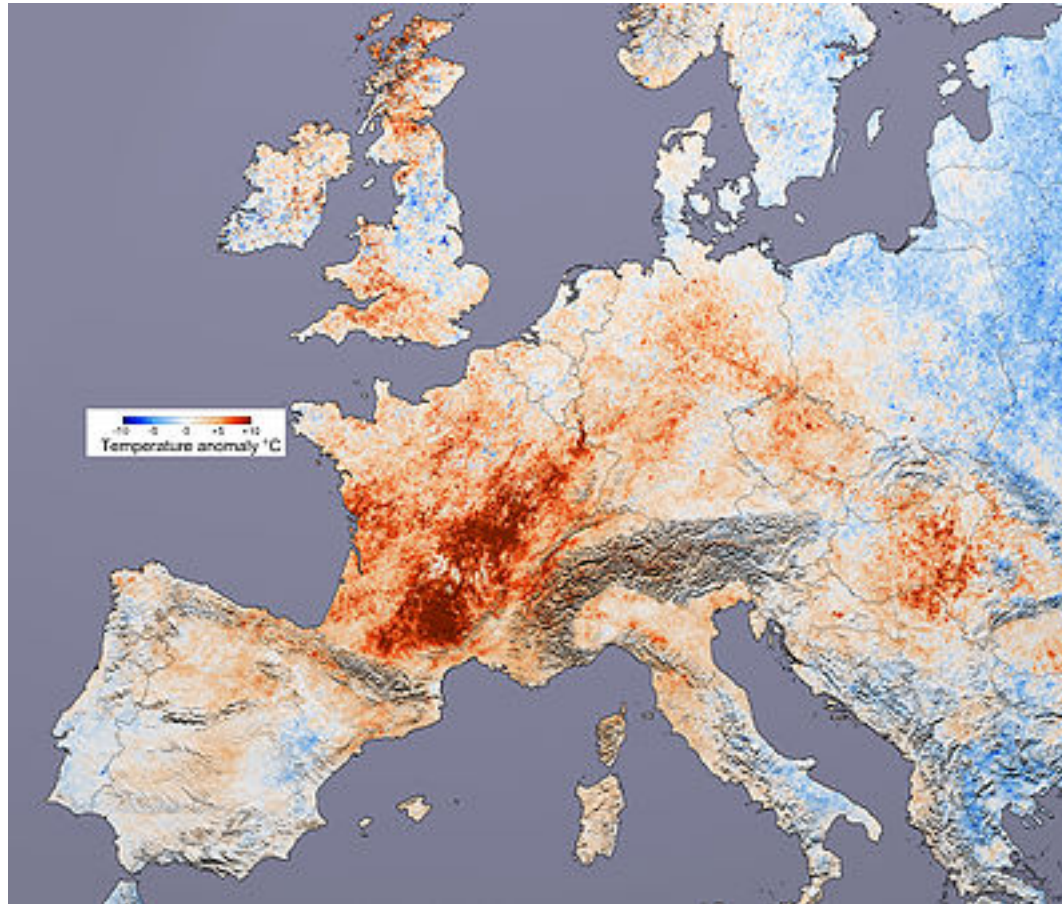
Virtually all of the deaths occurred on the top floors of buildings with black roofs





# European Heat Wave 2003, 30,000 Deaths

## Moscow-Centered Heat Wave 2010, 15,000 Deaths



White roofs around the world

...in Santorini, Greece





...in Hyderabad, India



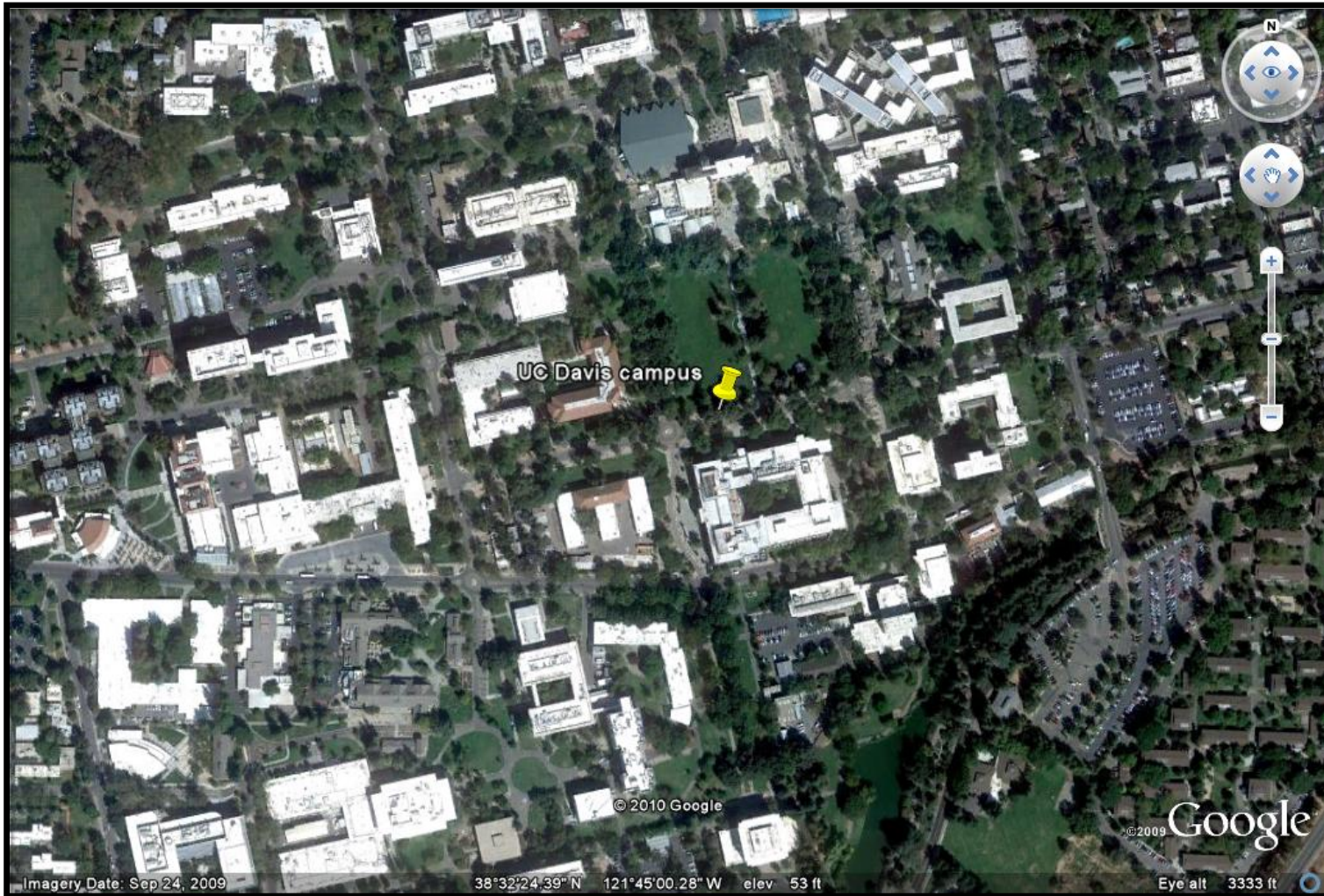
**...and widely  
in the state of  
Gujarat, India.**

# Walmart store in northern California



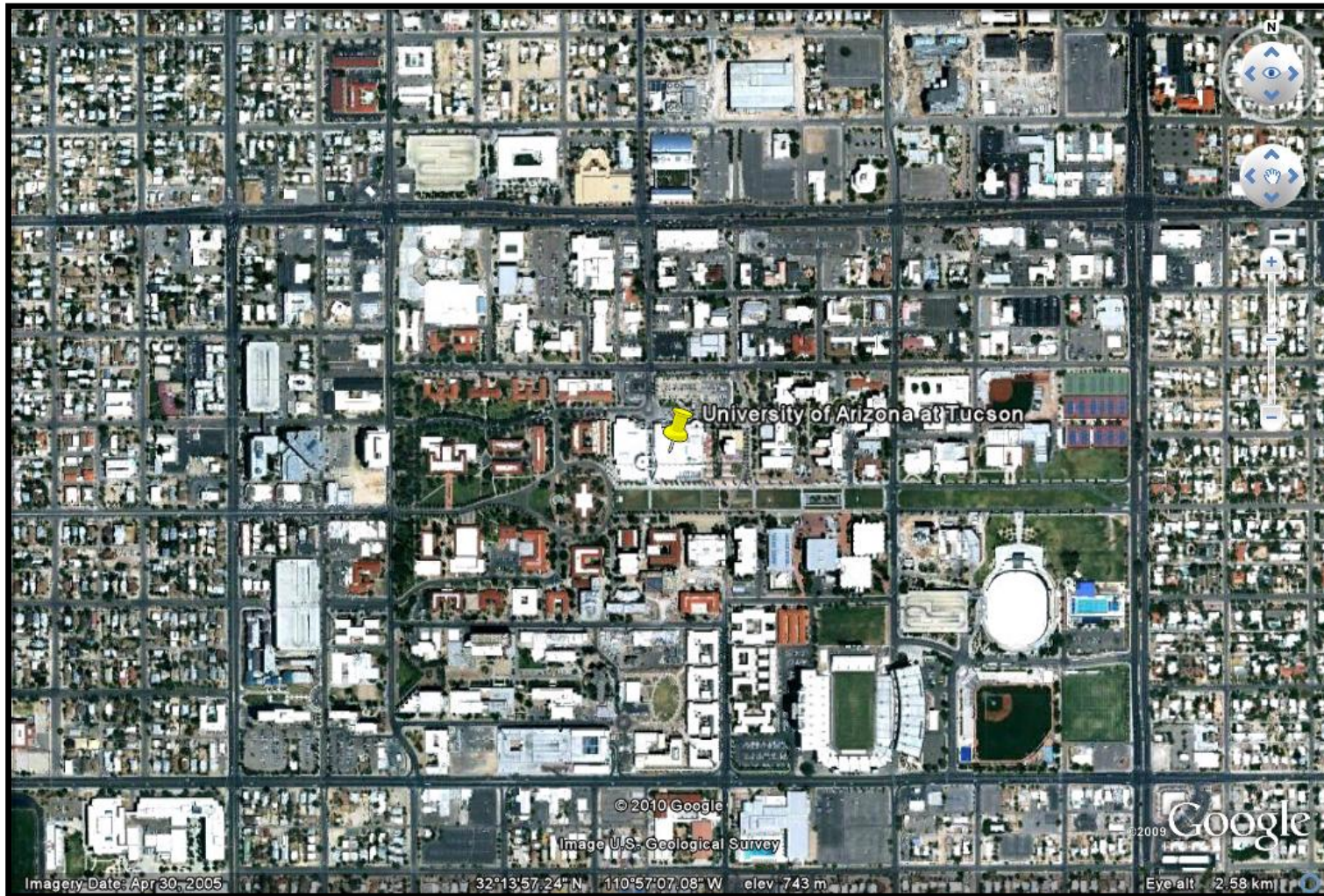


# Congratulations to UC Davis



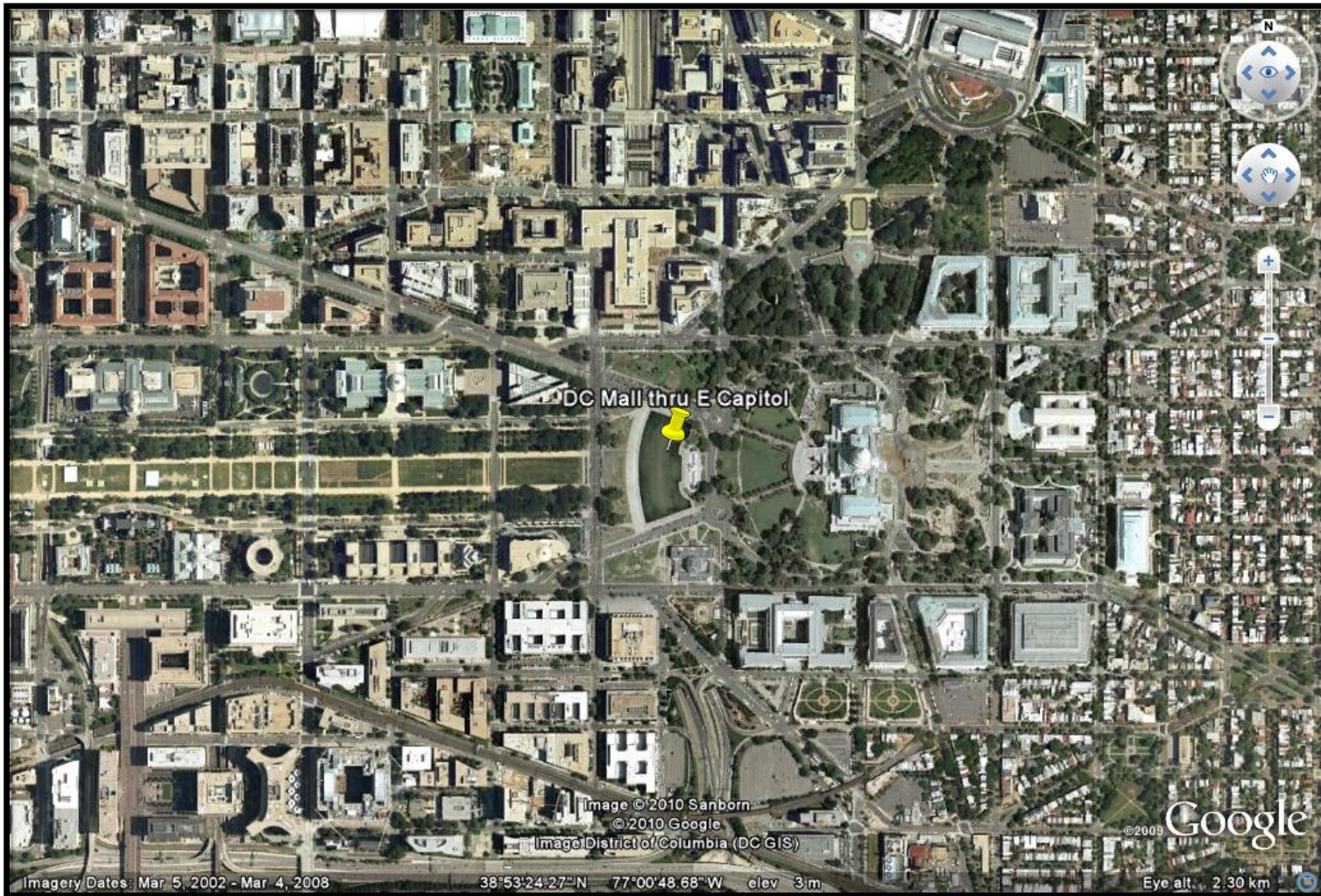


# White roofs are popular in Tucson, AZ





# Washington, DC (Federal) has problems with historical buildings



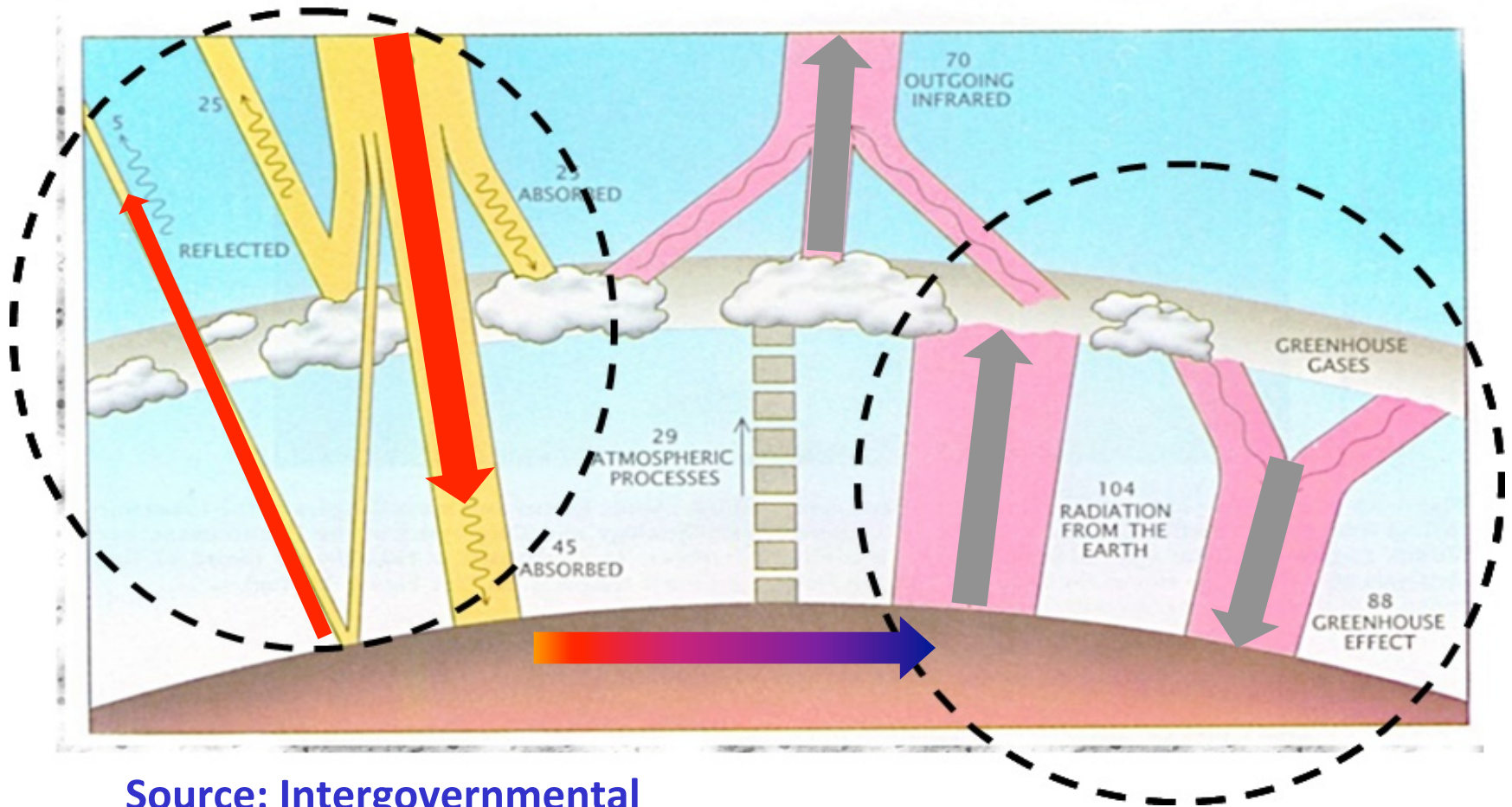


# Pentagon



# Cooling our planet

# Solar-reflective surfaces cool the globe via “negative radiative forcing”



Source: Intergovernmental  
Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)



**GLOBAL COOLING:** making 100 m<sup>2</sup> (1000 ft<sup>2</sup>) of gray roofing white offsets the **emission** of 10 t of CO<sub>2</sub>



How much CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent is offset if we whiten all eligible urban flat roofs worldwide? (i/ii)

- Answer: **24 Gigatonnes (Gt)**
  - 2/3 of a year's worldwide emission
  - Gigatonne = billion metric tons
- If implemented over 20 years (the life of a roof or a program) this is  $\approx$  1.2 Gt/year.

# How much CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent is offset if we whiten all eligible urban flat roofs world-wide? (ii/ii)

- Offset is equivalent to **taking 300 million cars off the road for 20 years.**
  - There are about 600 million passenger cars world wide, and they each emit  $\approx 4 \text{ t CO}_2/\text{year}$ .



# In terms of avoided power plants

Full white roof potential avoids **500** medium-sized coal fired power plants or **1,000** medium-sized gas fired power plants

The whole global power system emits ~15 Gt(CO<sub>2</sub> annually), equivalent to the output of **6000** typical midsized power plants (2/3 coal, 1/3 gas).



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# **COOL CITIES, COOL PLANET**

## **What to do now**



## Progress in energy efficiency standards

- In 2005, California's "Title 24" energy efficiency standards prescribed white surfaces for low-sloped roofs on commercial buildings. Several hot states are following.
- In 2008, California prescribed "cool colored" surfaces for steep residential roofs in its 5 hottest climate zones.
- **Other U.S. states & all countries with hot summers should follow.**

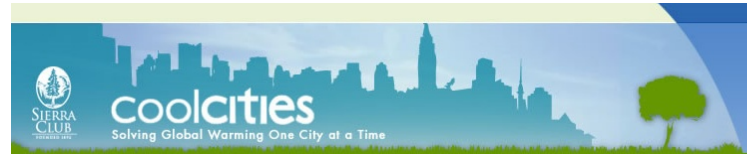
# Recent cool roof progress (2005 – 2012)

- 2005
  - California Title 24 – “Flat roofs shall be white” (15 out of 16 climate zones). Walmart adopts white roofs for ALL stores.
  - EPA ENERGY STAR lists Cool Roof Materials
- 2010
  - June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 – Memo from U.S. Energy Secretary Steven Chu calls for all DOE Buildings to have white roofs, if cost-effective
  - June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010 – Marine Corp follows suit, Pentagon following slowly
  - June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010 – *RetroFIT Philly* announces winner of “coolest block” contest to white-coat black roofs of row houses.
- 2011
  - 100 Cool Cities launched – see [www.WhiteRoofsAlliance.org](http://www.WhiteRoofsAlliance.org)
  - Spring 2011 – US will launch, at G20 Energy Ministers meeting, a voluntary Cool Roofs initiative and may even offer technical assistance to developing countries who join early.

## To come 2013...

- Model codes will be modified to prescribe “flat roofs shall be white”
  - ASHRAE for commercial buildings
  - EECC for residential buildings
- But states and cities have to **adopt** model codes

# Global Cool Cities Alliance could unite many initiatives and trade associations



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# Resources on the web

- **Art Rosenfeld's website**
  - [ArtRosenfeld.org](http://ArtRosenfeld.org)
- **Cool Colors Project**
  - [CoolColors.LBL.gov](http://CoolColors.LBL.gov)
- **Heat Island Group**
  - [HeatIsland.LBL.gov](http://HeatIsland.LBL.gov)
- **Cool California**
  - [CoolCalifornia.org](http://CoolCalifornia.org)
- **Global Cool Cities Alliance**
  - [GlobalCoolCities.org](http://GlobalCoolCities.org)
- **Cool Roof Rating Council**
  - [CoolRoofs.org](http://CoolRoofs.org)
- **EPA Heat Islands**
  - [epa.gov/heatisland](http://epa.gov/heatisland)
- **Energy Star Cool Roofs**
  - [EnergyStar.gov](http://EnergyStar.gov)